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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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YIN et al.)
) Art Unit: 1744
Serial No.: 10/662,404)
) Examiner:
Filed: September 16, 2003)
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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR)
STEAM STERILIZATION OF ARTICLES)

PETITION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.182
FOR CORRECTION OF NAME OF APPLICANT

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

SIR:

Applicants hereby respectfully petition the Commissioner for correction of the name of the first inventor in this application from George Yin to Xiang-Dong Yin. While this applicant goes by the given name "George," his given name is the Chinese name "Xiang-Dong." Accordingly, the PTO is respectfully requested to make this correction in its records.

A check in the amount of \$130 for the petition fee is enclosed. Please charge any deficiency and credit any excess to deposit account 50-1088.

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